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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am sure that many of our members must have been somewhat confused by the various listings in the July issue of where to send T.N.A. mail. On page 13, Mrs. Homer B. Casey was listed as the person, with San Angelo as the place. On page 26, on the fourth line, Mrs. Beth D. Geiger was the person and Abilene was the town. On the lower section of the same page Mrs. Dorothy J. Kinnimer was the person with San Angelo again the place. So by sheer numbers we will have to make San Angelo the place, and Mrs. Dorothy J. Kinnimer is our new T.N.A. secretary.

As most of you will recall, at the Galveston convention Mrs. Geiger made a request for a 90-day leave of absence. After much persuasion and arm twisting, Mrs. Homer B. Casey, a former T.N.A. secretary, was persuaded to fill in for Mrs. Geiger for her 90-day leave. Soon thereafter, Mrs. Geiger submitted her resignation, since her new job would not let her return to T.N.A. work. The hunt was then on for a new secretary who could and would devote many hours per week to a thankless job. Only a real hobbiest would do it. Some of Mrs. Kinnimer's friends suggested that we ask her to serve. Without too much persuasion, Mrs. Kinnimer agreed to take the job. Now let's all pitch in and see if we can't make her job a little easier and show her that she is appreciated even if the pay isn't too high. There is only one other job in our whole organization that is as demanding on a person's time and efforts.

On behalf of both T.N.A. and myself, I would like to thank both Mrs. Geiger and Mrs. Casey for their unselfish efforts in our behalf.

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I have been getting some criticism for the way I handled the HemisFair Permanent Home deal. I don't feel that this criticism is justified since I have had no hand in the matter. I was requested to call a meeting in San Antonio with the City and Fair officials. When it became apparent that I could not be present I called the first vice president and advised him that he would have to officiate. He advised that he could not attend so I called the second vice president and advised him that he would be in charge. Now Mr. Bartles was in charge of the meeting and how he handled it was his business. Any one not there and unhappy just should have been present. And to those of you who were there and are not happy, then you just should have "stuck tacked" a little harder. One person who was there, while [illegible] advised that my explanation of the deal in the July issue was a waste of [illegible] the whole thing was explained at the San Antonio meeting. So I [illegible]

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Another in a series of U. S. Mint articles prepared especially for TNA News by V. J. Van Cleave of Richardson, Tex.

Hunting Trip Leads To Glitter of Gold

Van Cleave

When Benjamin Parks, 26, went hunting one cold day in 1828, he didn't see a single deer—all he found was gold!

Tired and disappointed at his poor luck, Parks vented his feelings on a rock which tripped him. Picking it up, he threw it hard. Striking another rock, it broke open to reveal the thrilling glitter of gold.

The discovery site was to become one of the most famous mines in the area—the John C. Calhoun. Comprised of some 600 acres, it was purchased by the famous Senator from South Carolina and took his name. It was said that some of the ore from this mine was so rich in gold that it was the color of egg yolk. Thomas G. Clemson, manager of the mine, later used part of his share to found Clemson College.

Quite a gold rush followed the discovery. There were a number of disorders and matters were further complicated by the fact that part of the gold area was in the territory of the Cherokees. Attempts to keep the miners out of the section were eventually fruitless. Federal troops stopped all mining for a period in 1831, but the white settlers finally forced the removal of the Cherokees to Oklahoma in the trek memorialized as "the trail of tears."

Georgia, like California, was first explored by Spaniards hungry for gold. During the period 1539-42, Hernando DeSoto traversed the southern states before turning west to make the discovery for which he is best remembered today—the Mississippi River. DeSoto had become wealthy during the plundering of the

Spanish conquistadores were the first Europeans to explore the South. Looking for gold, they found little, yet must have unknowingly passed over or near many rich mineral deposits.

[illegible] Incas of Peru with Pizarro, but he had no such luck in North America. His expedition, marked by cruelty to the Indians, netted him only a few grains of gold. Though he found but little, he must have walked right smartly over some of the richest gold deposits on the continent.

Georgia was founded because the British wanted to protect South Carolina from the Spanish in Florida and the French in Louisiana and because James Edward Oglethorpe wanted to found a refuge for the persecuted Protestant sects of Europe and the unfortunate but worthy indigent classes. The last of the English colonies, it was named for King George II of Britain. Its charter, granted in 1732, was the largest made by the British crown, as it extended from the Atlantic to the Pacific. A year later the first settlement was made at Savannah. Though the first years were lean ones, a tide of immigration from Virginia and the Carolinas later swelled the population. By the time of the Revolution, the colony was quite prosperous.

Following the discovery of gold, a number of mines came into being. By 1839 they had yielded $16,000,000 to $20,000,000, and many felt this was to be one of the world's prime gold areas. Dahlonega, in the heart of one of the richest sections, was named for the Cherokee Indian term "ta lo ne ga" or place of yellow metal. It is pronounced Da la ne ga, da as in dark, la as in lark, ne as in nay, and ga as in golf, with the accent on ne. One writer said, "Gold is often found in the court house square, particularly after a shower, and the little boys frequently pick up pieces of gold weighing from one fourth dwt to one dwt." (dwt stands for pennyweight, twenty-fourth of an ounce.)

Heeding the requests of the local residents, Congress on March 3, 1835, passed legislation to establish a mint at Dahlonega for the coinage of gold only. A ten-cent lot was selected in May of the same year and was purchased in August from a Mr. Worley for $1,050.00. August 4 saw the receipt of plans and elevations for the building. On September 22 a construction bid by Benjamin Towns of $35,150.00 was accepted, it being the lowest of eight. A performance bond with a penalty of $66,900 was signed by Towns, Dr. James Insley, and Col. John A. Cobb, all of Athens, Georgia. Commissioner Ignatius A. Few later reported:

"The contractor expects, during the present year, to be able to have the cellars and the foundations dug out, and a part of the stone quarried and prepared for laying the foundations, also to collect wood for his brick kilns, and procure a part of the lumber. His operations, during the ensuing winter, will be chiefly confined to the preparation of his materials, that he may be enabled to commence laying the foundations, and burning the brick with the opening of the spring."

In the report for the year 1836, the Director stated that the building was far advanced and expected to be completed in the spring. In 1837, he reported:

"The machinery for the branch mint at Dahlonega, in Georgia, was sent to Savannah in May, and difficulty and delay also occurred in its transportation thence by land. After the workmen employed at Charlotte had finished their task they proceeded to Dahlonega, to erect the machinery there, and they completed their work early in November. To put up the furnaces and refineries of these mints, masons were sent from Philadelphia, and in order that this important part of the work might be properly executed, as well as for the purpose of more advice and aid [illegible]

other essential points, one of the officers of this Mint was requested to go to Charlotte and Dahlonega; and I have reason to believe that his visit was of great importance . . . The mint at Dahlonega is nearly completed except as to the enclosure and outbuildings . . .

"In consequence of the location of the new mints in places where there are no manufactories and few mechanical resources, it has been necessary to send from here every article of machinery and apparatus, many even of the ordinary matrials, and all of the workmen required for erecting the machinery, furnaces, refineries, and other fixtures. If, therefore, there has been much delay in getting these mints in operation it is but just to observe that the task presented peculiar difficulties. The delay moreover, has been accompanied by one important advantage, since it has given full opportunity to the officers and the hands to perfect themselves in their respective departments, by actual practice in this mint: so that, when they begin their operations at the branches, the public may have confidence in their ability to discharge them with skill and accuracy."

The facility, using the mint mark "D", began operations in February, 1838, and during that calendar year received deposits of gold in the value of $141,800 and coined 20,583 half eagles. Jos. G. Singleton was the first superintendent. During 1839, $113,035 in gold deposits were received and 18,939 half eagles and 13,671 quarter eagles were produced. The Director stated that the mint was in a very satisfactory condition and able to execute much more work than had yet been required of it.

The Director's report in 1849 stated that 21,588 of the gold dollars

U. S. branch mint at Dahlonega, erected in 1837. Operated as a mint from 1838 to February, 1861, the building was donated to Georgia for educational purposes in 1871 and was destroyed by fire in 1878. (Dahlonega-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce photo)

authorized by the Act of March 3 of that year had been coined at Dahlonega.

Forces of the Georgia Militia seized the Mint for the Confederacy in January of 1861. Only a few coins were struck after this, including the few known 1861 $1.00 pieces, which now catalog $5,750 in uncirculated condition.

After hostilities ceased, the Director of the Mint said: ". . . reasons for re-opening the branches at Charlotte and Dahlonega do not exist. They are away from the commercial centers—inland, and of little commercial importance in themselves. The existence of gold mines in their respective localities, may be a reason for re-opening them as Assay Offices but not for minting purposes. The results of their operations from their commencement in 1838 to February 1861, do not sustain the policy of their original establishment. The coinage of both these Branches is limited by Act of Congress to gold. At Charlotte the total coinage during the twenty-three years of the existence of this Branch was only $5,048,641.50; at Dahlonega for the same period $6,121,919.00, an average annual coinage of about $250,000 declining at Dahlonega from 1857 to 1861, to an annual coinage of about $70,000 and at Charlotte for the same period, of less than $150,000. The facts seem to be conclusive on the question of re-opening these Branches for minting purposes—and particularly when there is no great probability of large increase in the gold production of these localities.

To meet every commercial want of these places, and also the interests of the miners of gold the re-opening of these Branches for melting, refining, assaying and stamping gold bullion would be amply sufficient, giving to the Secretary discretion to purchase bullion at the Branch Mints, authority to issue in payment for gold dust, bullion or bars deposited for assay, drafts or certificates of deposits payable in specie at the Treasury or any Sub-Treasury of the United States, to any depositor electing to receive payment in that form. This provision would wholly supercede the necessity of coining at these Branches, or any imaginary benefits resulting therefrom."

The Dahlonega Mint was not re-opened. Congress on July 23, 1866, provided: ". . . the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby authorized, at his discretion, to remove the whole or any portion of the machinery, apparatus, and fixtures of the branch mints at New Orleans, Charlotte, and Dahlonega, to such other branch mints as in his opinion may require the same, or at his discretion to discontinue the branch mint at New Orleans, Charlotte, Dahlonega, and to dispose of the property belonging thereto, if he shall deem it expedient, at public auction to the highest bidder."

On May 13, 1868, the Assayer of the New York Assay Office was instructed to visit the Mints at Charlotte and Dahlonega. All the machinery, apparatus, and fixtures of those mints not needed for the assaying of bullion were to be forwarded to the Philadelphia Mint unless he thought it expedient to dispose of the items locally.

The Secretary of the Treasury on June 25, 1869, asked the Secretary of War if there was any person connected with that Department stationed permanently at Dahlonega who could take care of the Branch mint building at that place and report to the Department its present condition with an inventory of the machinery, apparatus, and furniture belonging to the Government. Mr. Thomas L. Lewis reported at the [illegible] tion of the War Department [illegible] place [illegible]

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Meanwhile, Rev. W. J. Wooten wrote on June 12, 1869, to Brevet Col. J. U. Lewis, Superintendent of Education Atlanta, Georgia, and endorsed by Col. Lewis and Gen. O. O. Howard, in which application was made to use the building for a residence and colored school. A letter of August 4 signed by the Secretary of the Treasury granted this application and stated that the premises could be occupied September 15.

On September 30, John A. Wimpy of Dahlonega, who wanted to purchase the property for use as a high school, was told that if it should be determined to sell, it would be advertised and disposed of at public sale.

An act of Congress April 20, 1871, authorized the Secretary of the Treasury to convey the mint building and property to the trustees of the North Georgia Agricultural College. This was in accord with previous enactments which provided for the donation of public lands to the states and territories which might provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

The College opened in 1873. Five years later, the former mint building burned. However the granite foundation was not damaged and another structure was erected on it. So today the basement of the mint serves as the foundation of the administration building of North Georgia College. A complete collection of Dahlonega-minted coins can be seen in the nearby college library.

During its twenty-three years, the Dahlonega Mint produced gold coins to the value of $6,106,570. This was composed of half eagles $5,536,056, three dollars $3,360, quarter eagles $494,625 and dollars $72,529. High point of production was $600,000 in 1843. The gold deposited at the mint and the state of origin was: North Carolina $99,585.19; South Carolina $311,242.81; Georgia $4,310,459.61; Alabama $59,629.92; Tennessee $42,-119.75; Utah $145.14; Colorado $57,-763.84; California $1,236,016.69; and other sources $951.00 for a total of $6,117,913.95.

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that everyone but myself was there and heard and know everything.

There is one thing that I have decided for sure. With the elected L.N.A. officers, two years is too long a term. Too many personal petty jealousies get involved, and the real issue, L.N.A. itself, gets completely sidetracked. Also, too many persons get tired of doing a thankless job for two years in a row. There have been seven resignations during my term, with several others wanting to resign. I have learned the hard way that a dedicated numismatist today isn't necessarily even a coin collector two years later. This is something to be thinking about with elections coming up pretty soon.

Spanish-Made Dollar Forerunner Of American Silver Dollar

By Weldon Surber
San Angelo Standard-Times

SURBER

The Spanish peso or dollar was the official piece of eight or dollar during the eight revolutionary years. It took first place as a standard money unit among the American colonists.

The Spanish dollar continued to be used in the United States as legal tender for 61 years after the minting of our first coins. Our government gave official sanction until 1857 for the circulation of the pillar dollar.

The Spanish dollar was the forerunner of our own silver dollar and its fractional parts, the quarter and half dollar. In the early days, when fractional coins were not available, merchants would cut off either an eighth, quarter or half of the pillar dollar for minor change. An eighth was called a "bit," a quarter was "two bits," and the half was "four bits." The word "bits" as a money term came from cutting the Spanish dollar in sections by the colonists.

Pillar Dollar, Spanish Piece of Eight are among the titles given to the Spanish-made dollar which circulated in the American colonies.

The Spanish dollar was accepted as legal tender over most of the world. The traders in the Orient refused to accept U.S. dollars demanding instead the Spanish dollar. Our government, to compete, coined the trade dollar in 1873, like our present dollar except with much more silver in it.

The trade dollar had 420 grains in weight compared to our present dollar with a weight of 412½ grains. At first the trade dollar was legal tender in the U.S. to the extent of $4, but as silver declined in price, Congress repealed the legal tender provision in this country. However, our government coined the trade dollar to compete with the Spanish dollar until 1878.

R. S. Yeoman, author of the Redbook, the official guide book of U.S. coins, says, "The piece of eight had been given a place in romantic fiction unequaled by any other coin."

A DIP IN DOLLARS

When Norman Hurd of Houston goes swimming, he's in the money.

When Hurd built his 100-foot-long swimming pool in the backyard of his home, he embedded hundreds of silver dollars dating from the 1880s in the concrete. To accent the coins, he bordered the pool's tiles of imported Italian glass.—Texas Parade.

THE CECIL RHODES CROWN

By KEN HEDGES,
Editor, INTERCOIN

Although blessed with numerous examples of beautiful and richly symbolic coats of arms, the African continent offers scant examples of numismatic heraldry.

South Africa, the United Arab Republic, Ghana (gold only) and the Central African Federation provide the most prominent examples of African heraldry. Of these, the Central African Federation has done perhaps the outstanding job. Served until 1954 by coins of Southern Rhodesia, and thereafter by those of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, this federation presented on the crown piece issued in 1953 for the centennial of Cecil Rhodes—founder of the Rhodesias—one of modern numismatic's most attractive heraldic designs.

The obverse of the 1953 Southern Rhodesia crown bears the standard portrait of Queen Elizabeth II, without crown and facing right. The reverse of the coin features a small portrait of Cecil Rhodes above the arms of the federation's component territories: the colony of Southern Rhodesia and the protectorates of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia.

Northern Rhodesia is represented first—from left to right—with the arms showing in chief a sea eagle grasping a fish, emblematic of the natural flora and fauna, and in base the way pallets alternate argent and sable, representing Victoria Falls. In the center are the arms of Southern Rhodesia, combining a golden pick on a green ground in allusion to the country's mining industry, and the thistles and red lion from Cecil Rhodes' family coat of arms. The right hand shield presents in full color a leopard standing on a rock with the rising sun on a field of black in chief emblems representing Nyasaland.

Post-1954 coins of Rhodesia and Nyasaland—the Central African Federation—bear the arms of the federation, combining symbolism from the three coats of arms described above: the rising sun for Nyasaland, the red lion and thistles for Southern Rhodesia. Supporters are the antelope and leopard, and the sea eagle grasping the fish serves as the crest. The component territories of Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland now are the independent countries of Zambia, Southern Rhodesia and Malawi, respectively; no new national coinages have been issued.

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From The Historian

Many, many thanks to these thoughtful T.N.A. members who send me clippings, pictures and other items for the T.N.A. history book. Ava Setzer, Doris Drachenberg, Chris Johns, Doris Martin, Ellis Brooks, Louis Goodwin, Mable Casey, Miriam Gilmore, Jerry Kelley, Ed Rochette and Barbara Rader.

Without their help many interesting and important pictures and clippings would not be available to me —Ruby Threlkeld, Historian.

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Anything that could be traded, has had a turn at being used for money. Our own American Indians used bead work, made of shells and called wampum. They also used beaver skins, grain, tobacco, salt and cloth until these items became too numerous that they lost their value as a medium of exchange.

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Editor's Note — In the past TNA News has received requests for an installation ceremony and up until now, we were unable to comply. Mrs. Chris Johns submitted the following which may be used by Texas clubs. Mrs. Johns was installing officers for Bellaire Com Club when new officers took over last Spring.)

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Installing Officer (to assembly):

When you put your enthusiastic team together you agree to add your talents to the total further interest in the news and enhance it, further the role of the organization to new heights of prestige.

(To new officers as they come by one by one are called to the front)

_____, as the chosen President you must lend yourself to leading the club in fulfilling its potential. A good president is one of the richest assets of any club—a bad president on the other hand, is the heaviest liability. A president's enthusiasm and encouragement can spur on the difference in the club's growth and its degradation. I charge you to help it grow.

_____, as the chosen vice president you must be the first supporter of the president and the second adviser to the president. Should need to relieve him of his responsibilities so that the club will run smoothly and speedily. You may be called upon to lead the club in the absence of the president.

_____, as the [illegible] you are to help the club in conducting the club's business through its records. Keep them accurate and up to date. You [illegible] and correspondence and records of the club. Your duties are a huge task. I charge you to be conscientious.

_____, as the chosen corresponding secretary, upon you evolves the responsibility to assume that the members will be notified of all meetings. You will be depended upon more than will any other officer in this club. And as publicity chairman in sending out news items you are the most important contact the public has with your club. I charge you to be prompt efficient but above all correct.

_____, as the chosen treasurer you are the trustee of the life blood of the club. Without funds many projects would have to be postponed or even abandoned. Keep an accurate and up to date record of club funds and keep the president informed of the state of the treasury. Offer your suggestions for improving the financial picture of the club.

_____, as the chosen sergeant-at-arms your duties consist of preserving decorum. Remember that a club can function properly only in an orderly atmosphere so you must ensure the orderliness. Do not wait for the president to call for order—[illegible] to restore order as soon as order has been disturbed in the club's efficiency. Thus I charge you to preserve order in this club at all times.

(To assembly)

Now members, what I want to say. There are [illegible] officers you have chosen to lead and serve the club for the coming year. I charge you to [illegible] your pledge to be [illegible] and earnest.

(To officers)

I [illegible] to you [illegible] of [illegible] Bellaire Com Club and [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] of authority.

JUNIOR READIN' ROUNDUP

Mrs. Fred Floerke
Youth Chairman

JUNIORS – are you working on points for the youth program contest set up by the T.N.A. youth chairman Mrs. Fred Floerke? If not get busy—contest ends at the April 1967 convention planned for Dallas.

Points may be acquired for exhibiting, presenting programs, writing articles, signing up new junior members, assisting in coin shows, and attending club meetings.

If you need help in any way please write Mrs. Floerke at Rt. 1 Box 20 Taft, Tex. She is waiting to hear from you don't let her down.

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Sharon Diedenberg of San Perlita presented the program at the San Benito Coin Club recently at Pahuville Housing Center. She conducted a numismatic quiz and for each correct answer, she presented wooden nickels as prizes.

The young collector has wooden money as a specialty and has over 100 different pieces. The wooden nickels she gave as prizes were duplicates of ones in her collection. Out of 22 questions she gave seven prizes.

In addition to the San Benito club Sharon is an active junior member in the Willacy County Liberty Corpus Christi and Port Isabel Coin Clubs.

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Corpus Christi's Ray High School sophomore Mark Putnam has been collecting coins from all over the world for the past six years, according to a news article which appeared recently in the local paper.

His collection includes coins from 80 countries, among them Italy, France, Hawaii, Germany, Haiti, Cuba, Mexico and even Russia and Viet Nam.

Mark is a member of two city coin clubs, Liberty and World Coin, and T.N.A.

Mark gives credit to John Olson, another avid collector for helping to get him interested in coin collecting. Explaining what he believes he has gained from his hobby, Mark says, "I have gained knowledge about different countries, different kinds of people and most important I have made many friends from my own city and all over the state."

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MONEY IN HISTORY

In the early days of our Nation, before United States money was issued, there were in circulation English shillings, French louis d'ors, and Spanish doubloons with other units of the money of those nations. This caused confusion and slowed up trade. The dollar was adopted by the Congress existing under the Articles of Confederation in 1785 as the unit of our money, and the decimal system as the method of reckoning. In 1792 the U. S. monetary system was established and the U. S. Mint began coining money at Philadelphia in 1793.

Paper currency was used by our people even before the Declaration of Independence was signed. It was called Continental currency. Its value became so small that "Not Worth a Continental" was a common saying. Paper money also was used after the adoption of the Constitution in 1789. It was not Federal currency but Land notes.

REVIEWING . . .

By LOUIS GOODWIN, ODESSA, TEXAS
T.N.A. LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEMBER

Lou R Goodwin

If you know ALL about Ancients — THIS COLUMN IS NOT FOR YOU. But if you desire to know more of your hobby, you need look no further than just these few books from your T.N.A. Library. Just write Wm. H. Gimmere, Box 74 Westco and tell him what you need. Just pay book rate postage both ways, keep the book or books 30 days—that's all there is to getting a good start in the LEARNING DIRECTION.

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(C-7) "Alaska's Coinage through the Years" by Maurice Gould Kenneth Bressett and Kaye and Nancy Dethridge is a well illustrated catalogue of the tokens medals and odd and curious items that have been used in Alaska as a medium of exchange. An acute shortage of coins and currency forced the early inhabitants of Alaska to improvise—and improvise they did!" If you want to know the types of monies used in our northern state in its early days, from Russian Sealskin notes to Bugles souvenir gold and Indian trade tokens you should borrow this book. The Alaskan cities using the trade tokens etc. are listed in alphabetical order enabling one to find each medium of exchange quickly and easily.

(C-8) "Canadian Silver Dollars" Story, Circumstances, background and history of Canadian silver dollars. Worthwhile and interesting reading. This booklet is ideal for answering questions the numismatist might have on the Canadian dollars. If you don't know how many specimen proof sets have been issued by Canada, if you don't know the year of the POPULAR silver dollar you will find the answer in this booklet.

B-16) "Coins of The Ancient World" is a well illustrated booklet of 97 coins in the collection of Dr. and Mrs. Irving Frederick Burton. These miniature works of art and history give the true numismatist a review of what he should know of the coins of Greece, Rome, The Byzantine Empire and ancient Judaea—and they give the amateur collector of ancients a very solid basis on which to build his knowledge of the monies of the ancient peoples. This booklet is highly recommended, not only to collectors of ancient coins, but also to those who appreciate art at a high level.

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The first history of paper money being used, was when Marco Polo visited China in the 13th century. The notes were printed on mulberry paper by Kubla Khan.

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The Eagle first became our national emblem in 1782 when it was chosen for the Great Seal as a symbol of strength and victory.

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NEWS ROUNDUP — A.N.A.

By GEORGE MATHER
Corpus Christi, Texas
A.N.A. Representative

George Mather

Yea! You Texans!

You are really in the national news and these are reasons to be proud.

1. R. E. Medlin, T.N.A. District 9 governor, was selected to receive a bronze medal, one of the A.N.A. Heath Literary Awards;

2. Austin Texas Coin Club has received honorable mention in the Class A Clubs Division for National Coin Week

3. Liberty Coin Club of Corpus Christi has been selected as the No. 1 contestant in Class B Clubs Division

4. Virgil Hancock of Bellaire,

The "Diamond Jubilee" medal, showing the founder and the first president and vice-president on the obverse, the A.N.A. symbol and motto, etc. on the reverse, was authorized by act of Congress April 16, 1966 to be struck at the U. S. Mint. The medal may be ordered from A.N.A. Executive Secretary in Colorado Springs for $5 which covers postage and insurance. It is hoped that this 3 inch bronze medal will be ready for sale at the A.N.A. 75th Convention in Chicago.

author and winner of Best of Show at the T.N.A. Convention in April, is a member of the panel for the Educational Forum for the up-coming A.N.A. Convention.

5. Other Texans have assisted less dramatically as judges or otherwise.

T.N.A. members are bringing honors to Texas and I hope this will encourage collectors, young and older, to nourish interest in their hobby. Meet with your local club and share yourself, your time, and your enthusiasm with the friends you will find.

On to Chicago August 16 through 20 five days in which to buy, sell, make and renew friendships, look, learn, or just plain shoot! If you have never been to Chicago, or to an A.N.A. convention you can enjoy two wonderful experiences during one short week. If you haven't made your plans to go when you read this, pick up your phone and ask the Pick Congress Hotel for a reservation and hope you are not too late.

I hope that Texas will be as well represented in Chicago as in Houston at the Club Representatives Breakfast on Saturday morning. YOUR CLUB REPRESENTATIVES must have your tickets for this event not later than 5:00 p.m. Friday August 19.

The Educational Forum is increasing in popularity each year. It and the exhibits are worth a trip from wherever you may be. This year is sure to be no exception. The Forum is scheduled for 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 18. If for some reason you cannot attend for the complete program you could still enjoy the

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MRS. WALLY GILMORE

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR

EDITOR

We regret to report that Texas is losing a good TNA member and officer, **Louis B. Goodwin** of Odessa. Past vice president Louis is being transferred to Baton Rouge, La. He said he disliked leaving Texas but needed to go where his paycheck was being sent!

The **Hirsh Schwartz** family of Schulenberg recently returned from a trip to Alaska, Hawaii and Japan. Hirsh wrote that Japan was fabulous and just wished that he was a collector of foreign coins!

Congratulations are certainly in order to members of the **Liberty Coin Club** for placing first in Class B, National Coin Week competition and to **Austin Coin Club** members for honorable mention received in Class A. The members of both clubs worked hard and should get a great big boost.

The **International Coin Club** of El Paso should also be congratulated. The club recently presented a coin as a scholarship to Bernie del Hierro to attend the University of Texas at El Paso. We like to see clubs build up their treasuries but we like to better when they put the money to good use such as this.

A Treasury Department news release [illegible] that [illegible] and Mint inventories [illegible] such a size that [illegible] of the 1965 date coins is no longer justified. In other words the coin shortage has been whipped and the Mint will be turning out coins with the date 1966 beginning August 1.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery are being sent to **Bob Glascock** of San Antonio who recently suffered a heart attack.

Jack and **Ava Setzer** of Center enjoyed a July Fourth holiday with **Mr.** and **Mrs. Jim Chambers** at Port Lavaca and they extended their visit on down to the Rio Grande Valley and Laredo.

Quite a few Texans were listed in the membership roster sent out by the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors including **Louis Berkie**, San Antonio; **Floyd Swartzbaugh**, Nederland; **Connie A. Pullen**, Dallas; **Ethie P. Everest**, Dallas; **William B. Layne, Jr.**, McLean; **Mrs. Hugh Threlkeld**, La Marque; **Mrs. Homer B. Casey**, San Angelo; **Mrs. Wally Gilmore**, Weslaco; **E. H. Brooks**, San Angelo; **Joe B. Davis**, Corpus Christi; **W. E. Wozencraft**, Big Spring; **Mrs. Ray Leonard**, Hedley; **William Rust**, Wichita Falls and **Lee Medley**, Fort Worth. The group plans a meeting during the TNA convention in Houston.

Miss Janet Brooks, daughter of

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from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Mrs. Dorothy J. Kerrick
3211 Woodland Circle
San Angelo, Tex. 76901

Applicants No. 1612 - J-1619, C123, C-124, and CLM-5 as published in July TNA News have been mailed membership cards and other materials.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

If no objections are filed prior to September 1, the following applicants will become members on that date.

J-1620 (D-6) Frank R. Ewing, Box 1035, Pasadena, Tex. 77502, U. S. Coins. Bill & Chris Johns.

J-1621 (D-11) Charles N. Abraham, Box 2883, Amarillo, Tex. 79105, U. S. & Numismatic Errors, Lloyd Colvin.

J-1622 (D-8) Gary Wayne Drachenberg, Box 97, San Perlita, Tex. 78590, U. S. & World Coins. Mrs. W. R. Robbins.

1623 (D-6) Howard H. Black, Box 21, Orange, Tex. 77630, U. S. Type Coins, Ruby Threlkeld & Hugh Threlkeld.

1624 (D-11) John F. Rowland, 1311 Van Buren, Apt. 6, Amarillo, Tex. 79103. Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1625 (D-11) Boyd W. Pipes, 203 S. Virginia St., Amarillo, Tex. 79106. U. S. Coins. M. H. Loewenstern.

1626 (D-11) James T. Butler, 2101 S. Hughes, Amarillo, Tex. 79103. U. S. Foreign. M. H. Loewenstern.

1627 Jim Bailey, 1806 C, Lawton, Okla. Gen. M. H. Loewenstern.

1628 (D-11) R. W. Biskett, 2725 W. 6th St., Amarillo, Tex. 79103. Gen. M. H. Loewenstern.

1629 (D-9) Howard Parks, Jr., 2003 16th St., Lubbock, Tex., Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1630 (D-11) John E. Weathers, 2221 E. 23rd St., Amarillo, Tex. 79105, American, M. H. Loewenstern.

1631 (D-11) Chris Kuykendall, 101 Thompson Lane, Canyon, Tex., Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1632 (D-11) Calvin O. Cox, 103B, Vanelin Bldg., Amarillo, Tex. 79105, U. S. Coins, M. H. Loewenstern.

1633 Frank J. Ujlaki, 2323 E. 3rd St., Dayton 1, Ohio, Coin Dealer, M. H. Loewenstern.

1634 (D-11) Ernest T. Cummings, Stratford, Tex. 79084, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1635 (D-11) Wayne Cummings, Box 275, Stratford, Tex. 79084, U. S., M. H. Loewenstern.

1636 (D-11) Clay Spurlock, Box 326, Sunray, Tex. 79086, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1637 (D-11) James E. Taggart, 2503 N. Spring St., Amarillo, Tex. 79105, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1638 (D-11) H. E. Watkins, Jr., 1425 N. Hobart St., Pampa, Tex., Gen. M. H. Loewenstern.

1639 (D-11) C. H. Bingham, 2001 Milam St., Amarillo, Tex. 79103. Canadian & U. S. Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1640 (D-2) Louis Berryman, 301 Marian St., Midland, Tex., Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1641 (D-11) John E. Goodman

2927 Bowie St., Amarillo, Tex. 79103, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1642 (D-11) Mose Goodman, 631 N. Osage, Amarillo, Tex. 79103, U. S. & Foreign, M. H. Loewenstern.

1643 (D-11) Joseph F. Dooley, 2210 Bonaham St., Amarillo, Tex. 79103, American Coins, M. H. Loewenstern.

1644 Mrs. Darlene C. Withers, 1212 Main St., Great Bend, Kans., U. S. Gen. & Foreign Coins, M. H. Loewenstern.

1645 R. L. Cooper, 2501 W. Colorado Ave., Colorado Springs, Colo. 80904, Coin Dealer, M. H. Loewenstern.

1646 (D-11) John F. Cahill, Herring Hotel Barber Shop, Amarillo, Tex. 79105, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1647 (D-11) Richard D. McPhee, 3329th BMTS, VAFB, Amarillo, Tex. 79111, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1648 (D-11) Mrs. F. A. McMillen, 1619 Van Buren St., Amarillo, Tex. 79102, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

1649 (D-11) H. V. Kengle, 2023 Evergreen, Amarillo, Tex. 79105, Gen., M. H. Loewenstern.

A 1650 (D-11) Robert (Bob) Henry Herther, 2619 South Ong St., Amarillo, Tex. 79103, Cents, M. H. Loewenstern.

1651 (D-6) Mrs. Cora Dillard, Rt. 1, Box 310, Alta Loma, Tex. 77510, All U. S., Ruby Threlkeld & Hugh Threlkeld.

J 1652 (D-6) Miss Melanie Nessler, Drawer C, Texas City, Tex. 77591, U. S., Ruby Threlkeld & Hugh Threlkeld.

1653 (D-7) Marshall T. Steves, Box 1968, San Antonio, Tex. 78206, Gen., Lowell O'Sullivan & S. M. Kennedy.

1654 (D-7) James M. Gaines, Box 1068, San Antonio, Tex. 78206, Gen., Lowell O'Sullivan & S. M. Kennedy.

1655 (D-9) C. L. Webb, 308 15th St., Normal, Tex. 79311, Gen., Bob Medlar.

1656 (D-13) Mrs. Ruth F. Walker, 1809 Lake Park Dr., Wichita Falls, Tex. 76302, Gen., Maurice Lindsey.

1657 (D-13) E. S. B. Walker, 1809 Lake Park Dr., Wichita Falls, Tex. 76032, Gen., Maurice Lindsey.

1658 (D-2) B. C. Reed, Box 635, Goldsmith, Tex., Gen., Louis R. Goodwin & Ashley E. Lawson.

J 1659 (D-2) Michael D. Stallard, 233 Ellis Dr., Odessa, Tex. 79760, Gen., Louis R. Goodwin & Hollis Clark.

J 1660 (D-2) Johnny Mark Haney, 3615 Spruce St., Odessa, Tex. 79760, Gen., Louis R. Goodwin & Hollis Clark.

J 1661 (D-2) Miss Cindy Sanderson, 1301 Clover St., Odessa, Tex. 79760, Gen., Louis R. Goodwin & Lucille Smith.

J-1662 (D-8) Miss Sharon Elaine Drachenberg, Box 97, San Perlita, Tex. 78590, World Annual Coins, Mrs. W. R. Robbins & Ivan L. Martin.

1663 (D-2) Kenneth O. Allen, 811 N. Colder, Odessa, Tex. 79760, Large Cents, etc., Louis R. Goodwin & Dr. H. H. Wilson.

1664 (D-9) C. B. Estep, Box 1016, Seminole, Tex., Gen., Bob Medlar.

REINSTATEMENTS

1309 (D-8) C. O. Wilkinson, 3615 Topeka St., Corpus Christi, Tex. 78411.

1120 (D-10) Joseph Arroyo, 1173 Slaten Rd., Fort Bliss, Tex. 79906.

C 108 (D-5) Garland Richardson Coin Club, c/o Jack F. Reed, Treas., 1211 Elmwood Dr., Richardson, Tex. 75080.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

1120 (D-10) Joseph Arroyo, 1173 Slaten Rd., Fort Bliss, Tex. 79906.

1276 (D-11) Donald [illegible], Box 8252, Fort Worth, Tex. 76112.

6 (D-6) College W[illegible] [illegible]
Corpus Christi, Tex. 78[illegible]

from the treasurer

Texas Numismatic Association

Stanford M. Kennady

107 Dawnridge Dr San Antonio Texas 78213

Balance on hand as of 6-2-66		$2,070.79
Receipts		
TNA News Ads		
6-27-66	66.50	
6-27-66	10.50	
TNA Dues		
6-27-66	117.00	
6-27-66	204.00	
Library film fund Donations for slide sets 6-27-66	30.00	428.00
		$2,498.79
Disbursements:		
TNA News Editor, June Petty cash and July travel allowance	$1.94	
Banner Printing Co print and mail TNA News for May	358.66	
ANA for 8 slide sets	192.31	632.91
Balance as of 7-5-66		$1,865.88

Note: The above balance includes the TNA Memorial Library Fund:

Previous balance	328.02	
Donations, as above	30.00	
	358.02	
Disbursements, as above	192.31	
Balance as of 7-5-66		$165.71

NEWS ROUNDUP—
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Forms and exhibits

At 3:00 p.m. on Friday there will be a meeting for all junior collectors. The A.N.A. is now placing emphasis on this group as is being done in our own T.N.A. under the direction of Mrs. Fred Eberke of Taft. This program is getting off to a slow start but it is hoped that it will build up to a rewarding experience. I hope that our Texas junior collectors will be suitably represented in Chicago on Friday afternoon.

You will find a complete program of the 75th Diamond Anniversary Convention in the **Numismatist**, Coin World and other periodicals. Look at it carefully and then Go, Man, Go! The pleasure will be all yours.

"Most remarks that are worth making are commonplace remarks. The thing that makes them worthwhile is that we really mean them."

Robert Lund

EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST 16-20

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSN. 75th convention, Pick-Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

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AUGUST 20-21

SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA COIN CLUB 8th annual show, Chateau Charles Motor Hotel, Lake Charles, La. Bourse: Andrew A. Monceaux, Box 121, Sulphur, La. 70663.

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AUGUST 27-28

GRAHAM COIN CLUB annual show, American Legion Bldg. Write Mrs. Mildred Whitt, 710 Gregory Rd. Graham, Tex.

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SEPTEMBER 3-4

CENTRAL TEXAS COIN CLUB show, Coxhouse Hotel, Killeen. Bourse: J. C. Moore, Box 261, Killeen.

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SEPTEMBER 10-11

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB annual show. Address club at Box 87, San Angelo, Tex.

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SEPTEMBER 17-18

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, 7th annual show, Ridgewood Motor Hotel. Bourse: T. G. Brown, 3535 Sleepy Lane, Beaumont, Tex.

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SEPTEMBER 24-25

AUSTIN TEXAS COIN CLUB 9th annual Money Mart, Villa Capri Motel, Austin, Tex. Write Box 1225, Austin, for information.

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SEPTEMBER 23-25

15th annual convention, Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Associations, Denver Coin Club, host, in Albany Hotel, Denver, Colorado.

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OCTOBER 1-2

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB 5th annual show, Hotel Texas. Contact Frances Lake, club sec., 823 N. Riverside Dr., Ft. Worth.

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OCTOBER 8-9

GALVESTON COUNTY COIN CLUB 9th annual Coin Jamboree, Holiday Inn, Texas City. Bourse: Claude Ressler, Box 2331, Texas City, 77591.

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OCTOBER 8-9

NOLAN COUNTY COIN CLUB show, Sweetwater, Texas. Details later.

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OCTOBER 15-16

TEMPLE COIN CLUB annual show, Kyle Hotel. Details later.

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OCTOBER 22-23

BIG SPRING COIN CLUB SHOW, Settles Hotel, Big Spring. W. E. Wozencraft, gen. chrm., 1000 Stadium, Big Spring.

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OCTOBER 29-30

LIBERTY COIN CLUB, 5th annual show, Memorial Coliseum, Corpus Christi. Bourse: Clarence Davis, Box 7001, Corpus Christi.

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NOVEMBER 5-6

5th annual coin show, **GRAND PRAIRIE COIN CLUB**, City Recreation Bldg., 601 Grand Prairie Rd. D. B. Nichols, bourse, Box 504, Grand Prairie.

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NOVEMBER 12-13

PERMIAN BASIN COIN SHOW, Odessa Coin Club, Lincoln Hotel.

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from the librarian

T.N.A. Memorial Library

Wally Gilmore

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Wally Gilmore

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A check [illegible] has been received from the Corpus Coin Club for one of [illegible] and the order is in the mail.

If each of you will check the treasurer's report elsewhere in this issue, you will find that the sets have cost considerably more than we [illegible] announced at the T.N.A. governors and club representatives' breakfast last March in Galveston. The eight sets received cost $138.95 with 397 slides at 35c each (glass mounted). The shipping cases (8 of them) cost $48.96 plus postage and insurance. Fortunately, the library fund has carried a balance sufficient $170 to make up the difference and we believe that the club set program is well worth the modest [illegible] cost.

The Library has received four requests for sets so far and of course many more are anticipated. We have sent out four books for two requests and one library list.

The life of a dollar bill is about 15 months.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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Cooley St., Beaumont, Tex.

1161 — D-73 — [illegible] M. [illegible] 3810 W. [illegible], San Antonio, Tex. 78201

1086 — D-12 — Charles E. Stocco, 1635 W. 38th St., Lumberton, Tex. 77657

1087 — D-12 — Joseph C. Graham, 1811 Dunn Hwy., Baytown, Tex. 77520

706 — DES — Don B. Chestnutt, 2814 Country Creek Apt. 4, San Angelo, Tex. 76901

664 — Holland, Wallace — 1813 Dogwood, Box Apt. 210, Racine, Wisc. 53402

EVENTS CALENDAR —

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Odessa — Write L. R. Goodwin, Box 1343, Odessa.

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NOVEMBER 19-20

WACO COIN CLUB SHOW. Bond-Air Weaver Recreation Center, 1823 Austin Ave., Waco, Tex.

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DECEMBER 10-11

6th annual **GULF COAST COIN SHOW.** Pasadena Coin Club, Gulf Gate Auditorium, Lyndon Johnson Freeway, 10610 Archibald, Houston, 77034.

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR —

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Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brooks, and **Paul Michael Ryan,** all of San Angelo, were married in June. The young couple are making their home in Austin where they are attending the University of Texas.

P. K. Anderson will journey to Texas in September to attend the San Angelo Coin Club show. P. K. is from Oklahoma and a past president of T.N.A.

TEXAS DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT ONE:

The Graham Coin Club has selected August 27-28 as the dates for its Late Summer coin show, according to president Herb Curry. This year's show will be held at the American Legion building in the heart of downtown Graham. Gilbert Webb is serving as general chairman.

Bourse table reservations should be mailed to Mrs. Mildred Whit, 710 Gregory Rd., Graham, before Friday, Aug. 5. Table space will be assigned as reservations are received.

Others assisting are G. D. Hinsen, promotion and G. S. (Red) Davidson, building arrangements.

The Graham club is one of the older clubs of North Texas.—**Gilbert Webb, Reporter.**

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DISTRICT TWO:

Mrs. Vera Ellis
Governor

Bley spoke on Ancient coin re- productions and displayed two sets of Widow's mites of the New Testament coin with scripture where [illegible] mentioned. Also to display [illegible] dollar imitated [illegible] Dollar and others

—Mrs. Henry Shellenberger, Jr., Reporter.

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The Midland Coin Club heard Presley Powell present a survey on the condition of the market concerning American coins, their changing values and sale prices of various denominations. The group met in June at Midland National Bank with 30 present.

H. H. (Doc) Willson conducted a question and answer program.

Louis Goodwin, T.N.A. first vice president, outlined the T.N.A. youth program contest. Members were also reminded of the Permian Basin Coin Show scheduled for November 12-13 in Odessa at the Lincoln Hotel.—R. G. Brantley, Sec.

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DISTRICT THREE:

A program on [illegible] errors and [illegible] coins was presented by Buddy Cox at the June meeting of **Nolan County Coin Club** at the Hobby Center in Sweetwater. Twenty-eight were present.

Mrs. Homer B. Casey
Governor

Plans are under way for the annual show set for October 8-9 at the Hobby Center.—V. L. Elliott, Sec.

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The San Angelo Coin Club [illegible] with plans for the [illegible] to be held Sept. [illegible]

10 H at Town House Motor Hotel in San Angelo.

Bill Brothers and J. B. Irvin are show chairmen and may be reached for information at Box 87, San Angelo, Tex.

DISTRICT FOUR:

John Hill
Governor

Members of Corsicana Coin Club heard a talk by E. L. Fraser, club guest, on Valentines and comics taken from advertising at the turn of the century. Twenty-three members and guests met at the First National Bank recently.

Special prizes of a Flying Eagle cent and Pony Express token was won by J. Woodruff. Plans are being made for the annual exhibit November 13.—William S. Brown, Treas.

Temple Coin Club's June meeting featured a talk on "Money" by H. K. Allen, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Temple National Bank.

Fifty members and guests heard Allen's remarks on the operations of the domestic money market and the causes and effects of fluctuating interest rates, as well as government efforts at controlling the national economy through credit restrictions.

Also mentioned in Allen's talk was the coin shortage, pointing out that in the area there showed a scarcity of both silver dollars and half dollars. Coin collectors were definitely not assigned the blame for this condition but it is felt that as a group, they could help to prevent a reoccurrence of similar situations in the future.

The club members are planning the annual house and coin show at Kyle Hotel in Temple October 15-16 with Dr. P. H. Butler, 204 N. 7th St., as house chairman. John Hill, Dist. 4 Gov.

Austin Coin Club's annual Mercy Meet will be held Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 24-25, at Villa Capri Motor Hotel in Austin.

Club President Ray Kirkpatrick announced appointment of Lyman Barteo, past president of the club and its A.N.A. representative, as general chairman. Col. E. M. Rice was named house chairman, Keith Johnson is chairman of special exhibits; Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Nethery will handle registration; and Brad Smith was appointed publicity chairman.

Chairman Barteo said reservations are now being received for bourse and exhibit space.

Exhibit classes for all types of U. S. and foreign coinage and currency are now being arranged and will be announced shortly. President Kirkpatrick said the club will again offer first, second and third place awards in all classes.

During the past year, the club has sponsored coin clubs in public schools, explanation of the hobby before civic clubs and the general public, steady expansion of a coin collectors library through donations of some $1,500 worth of coin reference books to the Austin Public Library and sponsorship of nearly a dozen coin shows, special displays and similar public appearances. It has also included considerable newspaper, radio and TV publicity in the Central Texas area.—Brad Smith, Publicity.

DISTRICT FIVE:

Mort Goodman of Hollywood, Calif., director and member of the Board of Governors of Numismatic Education Collection of America, spoke at the June meeting of the

Big D Coiners Club ... held at Dallas Federal Building, Preston Center.

Goodman acts as consultant to a coin metal testing firm in Los Angeles. He is also a West Coast editor of The Penny, a monthly periodical devoted exclusively to numismatic articles. He has spent the past six years researching his subject matter.

The title of his talk was The Mint and Its Process. How Coins Are Made and explained the where, why and how various types of errors occur.—**Ronnie Smith, Sec.**

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Bill Maxwell
Governor

Mr. and Mrs. John Hardy were in charge of the program at a recent meeting of **Madisonville Coin Club** with 13 present at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frossard.

The Hardys presented a program on do's and don't for the coin collector and a quiz on abbreviations and terms used in numismatics.

Club members are establishing a library with all available material members had for advanced and novice collectors. They had also ordered new material. A games night was also planned.

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DISTRICT SIX:

Greater Houston Coin Club is continuing to meet at the YMCA on Louisiana Ave. the third Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Exhibit winners at the recent H.C.D.A. show held at Houston Bi-Rite Mall were from the club. They were: Pat Young, Chris Johns, Dr. Earl Shultz, Vic Sudduth, Linda John and Gerald and Linda Kandall. —**Chris Johns, Sec.**

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Lloyd Bliss
Governor

Members of the **Pasadena Coin Club** are participating in a project sponsored by the Council of Area Club Chairmen at establishing a numismatic library within the central branch of the Houston Public Library. The club met in June at Harry's Restaurant with 12 members and guests present.

A ten-question numismatic quiz was conducted by President Frank Ewing. Winners were George King, Joe Johnson, Tony Winner and Scott Loomis, junior member.—**Chris Johns, Sec.**

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The **Beaumont Coin Club** met in June in the Community Room of the First Security National Bank building.

C. M. (Neal) Phelan was in charge of the program. He presented his personal film slides and commentary on U.S. copper type coins consisting of half cents, large and small cents through the current issues. He also showed film slides of Ancient coins.

A.N.A. certificates of award in recognition of participation and appreciation were presented to seven club members who exhibited during National Coin Week. They were Neal Phelan, Joe C. Reed, F. J. McMillan, Charles F. Cobbs, F. D. Mercheather, O. L. Barker and C. L. Belcher. N.C.W. certificates were awarded to the seven banks of Beaumont. Also received an award A.N.A. education award was Mrs. F. J. McMillan.

During the meeting there was ... several ... items of interest to old collectors. Have ... Did You

Knows – featuring little known Lots An exhibit of U.S. coins was displayed by Richard Brown. – C. L. Babcock, Publicity Chm.

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Members of **Galveston County Coin Club** at Texas City are busy working on Jamboree plans which is scheduled for October 8-9 at the Holiday Inn. For house reservations contact Claude Ressler, Box 2331, Texas City 77591.

New directors were appointed by J. D. Little, president and are Mrs. Hugh Threlkeld and A. B. Finlay. Books are being donated to Moore Memorial Library in honor of Mr. Moore. Albert and Mrs. Ada Lee Haney. –Ruby Threlkeld, Publicity.

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J. C. Akey recently spoke to members of **La Marque Coin Club** on the four types of U.S. nickels at a recent meeting. He displayed the different types to members.

Akey was presented an A.N.A. educational award for a program given in April by club president Hugh Threlkeld.

On the display table was a set of obsolete Canadian coins by Mrs. Threlkeld and a set of Washington quarters by Bob Bailey. –Mrs. Ruby Threlkeld, Sec.

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DISTRICT SEVEN:

Grover Rose
Governor

Pat Sisco Monroney has been elected president of the **Alamo Coin Club** in San Antonio, succeeding Fred Flores.

Other officers elected were Lee Greenman, first vice president; Price, second vice president and A.N.A. club representative; Edith Flores, secretary; Frank Pradowski, treasurer; Conrad Gerhart and Marion Pate, board of governors and Ilse Griffith, A.N.A. club representative.

The new officers were installed in June at the regular meeting held at the Gunter Hotel.

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DISTRICT EIGHT:

Joe B. Dibrell
Governor

During the business session of **Corpus Christi Coin Club** May 9, in the meeting room of the Gulf Way National Bank, incumbent officers were unanimously elected to another term. Officers are: C. H. Roberts, president; Sara Hutchins, first vice president; Earl Fields, second vice president; Augusta Fahey, secretary; Lamar Lolda, treasurer.

It was announced that the spring coin show will be held March 11 and 12, 1967 in the Robert Driscoll Hotel. Club meetings in the future will be on the second and fourth Monday of each month to fit into the dining calendar for use of the meeting room. President Roberts called for members' attention to an article on the values of participation in club activities printed in **Coin World**, and quoted from the Liberty Coin Club's bulletin.

Dan Holmes spoke to the group on medals, and displayed specimens of the work of Paul Gold. He said he had gathered enough material for five or six programs on medals, the history of gold and the designing of gold coins; coinage of gold by British and United States governments; and platinum coins and medals.

Gold was known in Asia Minor from about 500 B.C. to 1200 A.D., but the process was lost from about 1400 to the present. Gold was included

coins up to the 1600s were quite crude. "Milled" coins are considered modern.

Behannon gave each one present a mimeographed list of "British Sovereignty" from Edward the Confessor through Elizabeth II, showing the regnal years and coins of each ruler in one column and historical events in another, commenting only briefly on the information and urging his hearers to persue and use the compilation.

Copies of "Extracts from the U. S. Gold Regulations" were then distributed. The speaker called attention to provisions of the original order in 1933 for surrender of gold to the government and the penalties for non-compliance. He then noted some of the provisions of the Executive Order of July, 1962, with the further restrictions.

On May 23, the club heard its president C. H. Roberts, commend a number of members whose names and or faces had appeared in the May E.N.A. News for various reasons. The club voted a resolution of thanks to Gulfway National Bank for providing a meeting room and to members who had provided refreshments for meetings.

Bob "Howdy" Bridges presented the program on "The Silver Crisis." He referred to the Coinage Act of 1965. Predicted shortages of silver in the next ten years were cited as the reason for minting clad coins which will work in coin operated machines.

There are only six big silver producers in this country but the speaker quoted testimony in committee hearings that "When and if the price is sufficient silver will be found" to meet the needs. A copy of the Coinage Act of 1965 was offered for study by anyone wishing to borrow it.—Norma Mather, Reporter.

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Officers for the newly organized **Port Isabel Coin Club** are Don Pruitt, president; Martin Tower, vice president, and Ethel Morgan, secretary-treasurer.

The club meets at the Community Center the second Sunday afternoon of the month.

At the June meeting, Robert C. Dedmon of Brownsville conducted a numismatic quiz. Joe Davis, of Corpus Christi, T.N.A. District 8 governor, displayed coins from Mexico, Peru and Panama.

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M.D. Turner had charge of the program at the recent meeting of **San Benito Coin Club** when 15 members and guests gathered at Palmville Housing Project recreation room. Turner selected as his subject the history of Spanish coins and exhibited specimens from his collection. The period covered from 1200 to the present time.

Junior member Gary Dreschenberg was awarded the attendance prize. — Lorraine Tmax, Sec.

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The **Willacy County Coin Club** met for a dinner meeting at the Dew Drop Inn in Lyford with 30 members and guests attending.

It was installation night for new officers with Stella Williams, past president, in charge. She noted that the club was organized on May 27, 1963 through the joint efforts of local and a near-by coin collector. She used a large wheel to illustrate points during the ceremony—the spokes being the members. The club president, the axle and vice president, the inner axle. The hub of the wheel represented the secretary-treasurer. The [illegible] represented TNA with ANA [illegible]

Officers taking [illegible] were Lucky Dreschenberg, [illegible] Wally Gilmore, [illegible] and Dan Dreschenberg, [illegible]

over. Mrs. Williams and Robert Pitts comprise the board of governors.

A gift of appreciation was presented Mrs. Williams. Members participated in a social hour following the club's first business meeting.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. — **Doris Drachenberg, Sec.**

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Willis Park was appointed **Liberty Coin Club's** 5th annual show chairman, to replace James Mead, who resigned due to the press of business. The show will be held at Memorial Coliseum October 29-30. Clarence Davis is bourse chairman. The exhibit committee, with Bob Bridges and Gladys Robbins as co-chairmen, will be glad to send applications to exhibitors upon request. Mailing address: Box 7001, Corpus Christi 78415.

Coin Rarities of Matter of Concern was the topic of a panel discussion led by Milton Park, program chairman of the club meeting June 14. Detectives Tony Heaton and Lee Scruggs of the Burglary and Robbery Detail, Corpus Christi Police Department were the guest panelists. Gladys Robbins was the fourth member of the panel.

The detectives brought out some timely points that should prove helpful to the 28 members and 13 visitors present. It is important that you provide the police with an accurate inventory of your coins in case of a loss. Just as important, you must be able to identify your coins should they be recovered. As an aid to this end they suggested you place a bait coin with your collection. A bait coin is one you have marked in some way that it can be positively identified.

Another suggestion was to notify the police department when you are going out of town for a week or more. Your home will be patrolled regularly while you are gone and there is no charge for this service, the detectives said. Your neighbors, too, should be asked to keep an eye on things, and your mail should be held at the post office rather than left to overflow the box.

Most burglaries present in Corpus Christi, they said, are by juveniles with no prior record of repeaters. A burglar alarm would protect your home from this type of thieves, although it would not deter professionals. Juveniles are looking for anything of value they may find, and coin collections are incidental. Coins taken by this type of thief are spent usually, and are not passed on as numismatic items, the detectives pointed out. One place they do look for coins is in the attic.

Gladys Robbins gave a report from the May issue of **The Numismatic** on the reward fund set up by A.N.A. for the apprehension and conviction of persons committing coin thefts. —**Gladys Robbins, Reporter.**

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DISTRICT TEN

Charles R. Vice
Governor

The **International Coin Club,** with over 50 members present, met recently and awarded a year's scholarship to attend the University of Texas at El Paso to Bernie del Hierro. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. del Hierro and is a Spring graduate of Austin High School.

The club also donated $50 to the

A.N.A. building fund.

Members made the final selection for the design of the club medal. Norman White submitted the winning design and will receive a gift from the club for his efforts.

The club will hold its annual show next February and details will be announced later. — **Fern Fields, Sec.**

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DISTRICT TWELVE

Coin swapping, buying and trading are among the activities of the **Jacksonville Coin Club.**

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The East Texas area collectors planned to attend the July 9-10 Shreveport coin show.

The **Center Coin Club** sends congratulations to Ava Setzer for being awarded a certificate by A.N.A. for her participation in National Coin Week. Ava did not place, but entered again and was presented the certificate. She won in 1963 in individual entry and was the first Texan to place in the competition.

Mrs. Ava Setzer
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The club has received new membership cards.

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Money In the Bank

By A. J. MITULA
From Houston Chronicle

Systematic Coin collecting can be a rewarding experience, but it is something a collector should not get into unless he has the patience and the means to afford it.

I recall a column written in 1962 in which I said that putting a little aside each week for coins was like putting money in the bank.

Let me cite the experience of a friend who has consistently put aside $10 a week for his coin collection. He saves enough to buy one good coin or a set of coins and then starts over.

His investment has grown several times in value.

For instance, he bought a set of gold commemoratives for $250 and I advised him that in a few years the coins would reach a value of $1250. Today the market for the set is past that.

He also bought a set of proofs for the years 1936 through 1942. At the time he paid $100 for them. The market trend indicated that his set would ultimately reach a value of $1000. The set recently sold for $2500.

My friend was fortunate because he could afford to put aside money each week for his collection.

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